

# Senate Resolution 26 - Introduced

## SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 26

BY COMMITTEE ON RULES AND ADMINISTRATION

(SUCCESSOR TO SR 25)

1 A Resolution honoring the University of Northern Iowa  
2 men's basketball team and program.

3 WHEREAS, for the 2014-2015 season, the University  
4 of Northern Iowa (UNI) men's basketball team had an  
5 overall record of 31-4, breaking the school record for  
6 most victories in a season; and

7 WHEREAS, the Panthers achieved the team's highest  
8 national rankings of 9th by the USA Today Coaches Poll  
9 and 10th by the Associated Press; and

10 WHEREAS, the Panthers are the 2015 Missouri Valley  
11 Conference (MVC) champions, posting a 16-2 conference  
12 record on the way to earning an unprecedented 5th seed  
13 in the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA)  
14 Division I Men's Basketball Tournament; and

15 WHEREAS, the team delighted fans at the McLeod  
16 Center by going 15-0 at home; and

17 WHEREAS, the team's 16 consecutive wins and seven  
18 consecutive road wins ignited UNI fans and alumni not  
19 only in the Cedar Valley that UNI calls home but across  
20 the state, the nation, and the world; and

21 WHEREAS, senior forward Seth Tuttle of Sheffield,  
22 Iowa is a finalist for NCAA Player of the Year and  
23 received numerous other awards for his stellar play,  
24 including the Larry Bird MVC Player of the Year, the  
25 MVC Tournament Most Outstanding Player, and 2nd team  
26 All-American by the United States Basketball Writers  
27 Association, Sporting News, Bleacher Report, and Sports

1 Illustrated.com; and

2 WHEREAS, junior guard Wes Washpun, a graduate of  
3 Cedar Rapids Washington High School, was named Missouri  
4 Valley Conference Sixth Man of the Year; and

5 WHEREAS, Head Coach Ben Jacobson was named the  
6 2014-2015 MVC Coach of the Year; and

7 WHEREAS, 11 of the 16 UNI men's basketball team  
8 members are native Iowans; and

9 WHEREAS, the entire 2014-2015 UNI men's basketball  
10 roster deserves to be named: Matt Bohannon, Nate Buss,  
11 Klint Carlson, Ted Friedman, Paul Jespersen, Robert  
12 Knar, Bennett Koch, Wyatt Lohaus, Max Martino, Deon  
13 Mitchell, Jeremy Morgan, Taylor Olson, Kasey Semler,  
14 Marvin Singleton, Seth Tuttle, and Wes Washpun; NOW  
15 THEREFORE,

16 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, That the Senate  
17 recognizes and congratulates the UNI men's basketball  
18 team, Head Coach Jacobson, and the coaching staff and  
19 program on its outstanding 2014-2015 season; and

20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That, upon adoption,  
21 the Secretary of the Senate prepare a copy of this  
22 Resolution for presentation to Head Coach Jacobson  
23 and the University of Northern Iowa Panthers men's  
24 basketball team.